

Notice of Intent (Full)

Bill Number	HB 626
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Senate Committee	State Affairs
Senate Committee Absent	
Senate Committee Ayes	
Senate Committee Nays	
Senate Committee PNV	
Miscellaneous (Office)	
Voted Against In Committee (Office)	
Fiscal Impact	Not Evaluated
Analyst Comments (Office)	H.B. 626 requires a voter applicant to prove he or she is a United States citizen by furnishing a birth certificate or, if the person is a naturalized citizen, the city state, and year of taking the naturalization oath. The bill requires the voter registrar to verify with the secretary of state that the applicant is a United States citizen.
Analyst Recommendations (Office)	<p>Very bad voter ID bill. This is another bad voter ID bill that Dems have to stop.</p> <p>SHB 626 will Create Insurmountable Obstacles to the Registration of U.S. Citizens</p> <p>The Secretary of State will be unable to verify citizenship for many eligible voter applicants.</p> <p>The Secretary of State's efforts to verify citizenship will be inefficient, costly, and untimely.</p> <p>CSHB 626 Does Nothing to Address Voter Fraud</p> <p>No verified evidence exists documenting cases of non-citizen registration and voting. Investigations by the Texas Attorney General and Secretary of State records show no findings of non-citizen registration or voting.</p> <p>HB 626 does not address the more plausible forms of voter fraud including ballot tampering, mail-in ballots, voter intimidation, and electronic machine manipulation</p>

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